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Dear Parents,

December is a bittersweet time at Concord. There's the bustle and excitement to the semester's end; numerous holiday events, including Open Houses, Fine Arts concerts and plays, Senior and Faculty recitals, Senior Art Shows, the annual Children's Christmas party, charity fundraisers; athletic contests; the last Student Activities Committee events, including Up Late Bingo, performers, and stress relievers; and for our December graduates, pre-Commencement activities such as the Cap and Gown dinner, capstone experiences, final presentations, and eventually, the BIG DAY itself, when family and friends gather to celebrate graduation. We will miss our graduates—hence, the bittersweet! For students, staff, and faculty, these last few weeks can be stressful, with end-of-semester assignments, tests, and final exams.

Fortunately, we have a plethora of resources, services, and activities to help relieve end-of-semester stress. Tutoring assistance continues through the last week of classes and SMARTHINKING online tutoring is available 24/7 through the end of finals. The library is open 24 hours a day beginning with the Sunday evening before finals and closing at 4pm on December 14<sup>th</sup>, with coffee, hot chocolate, pizza courtesy of the Geography Department, and Dr. Aloia's famous Snickers visits interspersed throughout the week. (See Page 2 for the final exam schedule). The Late Night breakfast is free and open to all Concord students on the Tuesday night of finals, served—but, thankfully, not prepared—by university administrators and faculty.

Although fall semester is not yet past, we are also looking ahead to spring semester. Returning students should have selected their courses for next semester. If not, there's still time to register before leaving for break.

On behalf of the Parents Club, thanks for your support during the semester. Enjoy the time spent with your students over the break. And, congratulations to our December graduates and their families!!

Best wishes and peace, Marjie Flanigan Concord University, Vice President of Student Affairs



#### FALL 2012 FINAL EXAM SCHEDULE

Final exams may NOT be administered the last week of classes. ATHENS CAMPUS FINAL EXAM SCHEDULE

Exam Time	Monday (M)	Tuesday (T)	Wednesday (W)	Thursday (Th)	Friday (F)
9:00 AM – 11:15 AM	Dec 10 MWF 8:00 AM classes	Dec 11 TTh 8:00 AM classes	Dec 12 MWF 9:00AM classes	Dec 13 TTh 9:30 AM Classes	Dec 14 MWF 10:00 AM classes
11:30 AM – 1:45 PM	MWF 11:00 AM classes	TTh 11:00 AM classes	MWF 12:00PM classes	TTh 12:30 and 1:00 PM classes	MWF 1:00 PM classes
2:00 PM – 4:15 PM	MWF 2:00 PM classes	TTh 2:00 PM classes	MWF 3:00 PM classes	TTh 3:30 PM classes	MWF 4:00 PM classes
Grades Due	Faculty Access to MYCU for Grade Submission will be available Friday, DEC 7, 4:00 pm to Wednesday, DEC 19, 8:00 am				

Music Jury examinations are scheduled individually by the department of music.

Evening Classes – Athens: Classes meeting at 4 PM on Tuesday or Thursday will have a two-hour final beginning at 4:30 PM during the regularly scheduled class meeting time during finals week, DEC 10-14. Classes that start at 4:30 PM or afterwards will have a two-hour final during the regularly scheduled class meeting time during finals week, DEC 10-14. If the two-hour exam block results in a conflict with an exam in a later evening course, the student must notify the professor of the later course and either arrange for a late arrival time or reschedule the exam at the discretion of the professor.

#### **BECKLEY HEC FINAL EXAM SCHEDULE**

Exam Time	Monday (M) DEC 10	Tuesday (T) DEC 11	Wednesday (W) DEC 12	Thursday (Th) DEC 13	Friday (F) DEC 14
2:00 PM – 4:15 PM	Monday 1:00 PM classes	Tuesday 1:00 PM classes	Wednesday 1:00 PM classes	Thursday 1:00 PM classes	Friday 10:30AM classes
5:00 PM – 7:15 PM	Monday or MW 4:00 PM classes	Tuesday or TTh 4:00 PM classes	Wednesday 4:00 PM classes	Thursday 4:00 PM classes	Exam 10:30 – 12:45
7:30 PM – 9:45 PM	Monday or MW 7:00 PM classes	Tuesday or TTh 7:00 PM classes	Wednesday 7:00 PM classes	Thursday 7:00 PM classes	Saturday 10 AM classes Exam Friday 7:00 PM – 9:15 PM
Grades Due	Faculty Access to MYCU for Grade Submission will be available Friday, DEC 7, 4:00 pm to Wednesday, DEC 19, 8:00 am				

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE FACULTY:

Any examination for which this schedule does not provide, or any departure from it, must be approved in advance by the Vice President and Academic Dean, on the request of the instructor made through the department and/or division chairperson. Faculty also should carefully note the deadlines for grades to be submitted. I urge each Faculty member to submit grades as requested in this memorandum.

Dr. Kendra Boggess Interim Vice President and Academic Dean





# Academic Calendar

#### DATE

#### ACTIVITIES

Monday, December 3 ..... Last day to withdraw from the University

Friday, December 7 ..... Last day of class

Monday – Friday, December 10 – 14 ..... Final Exams

Friday, December 14, 5pm ...... Residence Halls Close (Exceptions must have prior approval from Director of Housing and Residence Life. Note: Students must vacate their residence hall rooms within 24 hours following their last final exam.)

Saturday, December 15 ...... Commencement, 11am – *Congratulations Graduates!!!* Fall commencement will be held on December 15<sup>th</sup> at 11am in the Leslie R. & Ruby Web Carter Center, in the main gym.

#### **MWF** MWF TuTh TuTh Classes Regular **Classes Inclement** Classes Regular Classes Inclement 8:00-8:50 10:00-10:40 8:00-9:15 10:00-11:00 10:45-11:25 9:00-9:50 9:30-10:45 11:05-12:05 10:00-10:50 11:30-12:10 11:00-12:15 12:10-1:10 11:00-11:50 12:15-12:55 12:30-1:45 1:15-2:15 12:00-12:50 1:00-1:40 2:00-3:15 2:20-3:20 1:00-1:50 1:45-2:25 3:30-4:45 3:25-4:25 2:00-2:50 2:30-3:10 3:00-3:50 3:15-3:55

#### **Inclement Weather Schedule**

In an effort to increase safety and security on our campus, Concord University encourages everyone to register for instant text message alerts. Alerts will only be used for security and safety notices. All students, faculty, and staff are eligible to receive text message alerts on their cell phones or email alerts. Please contact Technology Services for Academic Technology for further assistance: 384-5361. To sign up go to: http://sms.concord.edu/





#### Are You Wondering about Your Student's Grades

for Fall Semester? By-Ryan Baisden, Junior Geology Major

Final grades will be available to students on December 19, 2012 at noon. Students can access grades under the "Student" tab in their MyCU accounts. Parents can ask their students about grades, but CU will not release this information without a FERPA Release on file. (Instructions Below)

Students' grades are reviewed at the end of each semester to make certain that Academic and Financial Aid Satisfactory Progress Policies are met. Students who are not meeting either academic or financial aid satisfactory progress are notified via U.S. mail to the students' permanent mailing address. Financial Aid and Academic standing notices are also posted on students' MyCU accounts. **Please note that it is the student's responsibility to monitor his/her academic and financial aid status and to meet all requirements for the appeal process by the stated deadlines.** Any name or address changes should be reported to the Registrar's Office to make certain that accurate information is on file.

Visit the Registrar's webpage for an Address/Name Change Form, for Academic and Financial Aid Suspension Appeal Form, and for other important information: <u>http://concord.edu/academics/registrar</u>

# Directions for FERPA Release of Information

In accordance with the federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA), all information regarding a student's record, with the exception of certain directory information, is considered private between the student and the university and requires a release for discussion of this information with a third party. The student may wish to grant permission to all or some information, including financial aid, student accounts, grades, and other university information to a parent, spouse, employer, agency, or other person of the student's choosing. Students wishing to release information to a third party can do so by completing the FERPA/ Information Release Form. Directions for completing the form are outlined below.

Your student should:

- ✓ Log into MyCU (<u>http://mycu.concord.edu</u>)
- ✓ Click on the Student tab
- ✓ Click on FERPA/Information Release under the Information box on the left side of the screen
- Complete the form, assigning a PIN number for the individuals to whom permission is granted; select the information to be released
- $\checkmark$  Provide the PIN number to the person(s) to whom information access is granted.

**NOTE:** Information will not be released to an authorized individual without the person knowing the PIN. This is for your student's protection.





### **Library Services**

The J. Frank Marsh Library is open 7 days each week for the convenience of Concord University students, faculty, staff and members of the local community.

Hours of operation are.			
Monday - Thursday	7:45 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.		
Friday	7:45 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.		
Saturday	Noon – 4:00 p.m.		
Sunday	2:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.		

Special hours will be posted for exam periods, holiday weeks, and summer sessions.

The Library houses more than 150,000 volumes including books, microforms, popular and scholarly periodicals as well as bound periodicals, and DVD's. The library subscribes to electronic databases that include Infotrac Academic Onefile, Ebsco, PsychInfo, Faulkner Advisory for IT Studies, America's Newspapers, Grove Music Online, A to Z Maps online, SciFinder, Jstor (which covers the disciplines of language, literature, music, and biology) and remote access is provided for distance learning students. Two computer labs are provided for students in the Library. A printer and two photocopy machines are available. Wireless access is available within the library. Materials that instructors place on reserve are available at the front desk on the main floor of the library during normal operating hours. Staff members will provide assistance with reference searches and other research related endeavors.

## **Exciting News from Natural Sciences**

A state grant was awarded to Dr. Timothy Corrigan, assistant professor of physics, to purchase an atomic force microscope (AFM). An AFM is used to examine nanoscale features of materials that are too small to be seen by a normal light microscope. Basically a tip is dragged over the surface of the material and the contours of the material are recorded. The system continues to scan so that a computerized image can be made. They are called "atomic force microscopes" because they use atomic forces to keep the distance between the tip and sample constant. The image below shows an array of squares made of silicon (used in the semiconductor industry), as imaged by our new AFM. Each square is approximately 500 times smaller than the width of a single human hair. Dr. Corrigan plans on using the AFM for research on biosensors, as well as labs for students to learn about nanotechnology.

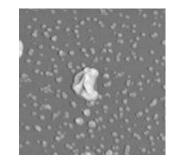


Figure 1. Particles 1 to 3 nanometers in size as imaged by AFM Workshop on the same AFM model recently purchased by Concord University.





## **Exciting News from Social Sciences**

Submitted by Social Sciences Division Chair, Dr. Jonathan Berkey

History faculty members Bill O'Brien and Keith Lilly hosted the PRISM Summer Academy for Teachers in early August; Keith presented on "World Foreign Policy: 1898-1920"

The Geography program has received a \$35,000 grant from the National Geographic Society

Recreation and Tourism Management also received grants; Dr. Susan Williams received two service learning grant awards through Campus Compact for two of her RTM courses.

Geography faculty member Dr. Tom Saladyga (& Dr. Charles Brichford, Chair, Languages & Literature) accompanied students to Kangwon National University in Korea for a study abroad experience; Tom gave a lecture entitled "Humans and the Forest Environment" as part of the program.

Dr. Tom Saladyga has co-authored "Three Centuries of Shifting Hydroclimatic Regions Across the Mongolian Breadbasket," *Agriculture and Forest Meteorology* 

History professor Dr. Carol Manzione's manuscript, "Identity, Placement, and Circulation of the Children of Christ's Hospital" has been accepted and revised for publication in the *Journal of the History of Childhood and Youth* 

Sociology faculty member Dr. Alecea Standlee has a publisher for an edited volume

History faculty member Dr. Jonathan Berkey, "Remembering Antietam," lecture given at the Bath County Public Library, Warm Springs, VA, 9/20/12

Political Science faculty Dr. Sally Howard and Dr. James White, "Marathons and Economies," op-ed piece published in the *Charleston Gazette*, 9/23/12

Dr. Tom Saladyga, "Using Literature to Teach Physical Geography," poster session, National Council for Geographic Education Conference, 10/4-10/7/12.

Concord's Masters of Social Work program is one step closer to fruition. Concord hosted a Higher Learning Commission accreditation team this fall. Kudos to Social Work faculty members Dr. John David Smith, Dr. Sarah Whittaker, Dr. Ellen Darden, Dr. Joan Pendergast, and Dr. Bonnie Dorsey for their scholarship and dedication to students, the community, and the social work profession!





#### Concord Partners With Reconnecting McDowell

Submitted by Jim White, Professor of Political Science

Many of you may be familiar with Reconnecting McDowell, a comprehensive, long-term effort designed to improve this southern West Virginia county's economic outcomes (see http://www.reconnectingmcdowell.org for more information). This important effort includes partners from business, labor, non-profit organizations and all levels of government, and Concord University and the American Federation of Teachers (AFT) are both among the active partners. Concord University's local AFT is exploring ways to provide additional support for Reconnecting McDowell, and as part of that effort we are interested in hearing from current and former students/parents with McDowell County ties who are interested in becoming involved. Please e-mail jwhite@concord.edu if you are interested in learning more and supporting this important initiative.

#### Concord Celebrates Service!

By Ryan Baisden, Junior Geology Major

The late President Frank Marsh promoted the CU motto, "Come to Learn, Go to Serve," and Concord students embody Dr. Marsh's legacy throughout the year. However, during the holiday season it seems that Concord increases its involvement in community service. As the season of giving nears, many campus organizations initiate projects to aid the less fortunate. The Salvation Army Angel Tree in the Beasley Student Center lobby once bore the names and Christmas wishes of area children. Soon the lobby will be filled with the generosity of Concord students, faculty, and staff. A food drive is being held at the Athens and Beckley campuses to help The Beckley Dream Center's Fishes and Loaves Food Pantry. Concord continues to recycle paper, plastic, aluminum, and cardboard as part of its sustainability initiative. The Classified Personnel Association raised \$597.55 in a Homecoming hot dog sale to Scholarship Fund. This year a CU fraternity is collecting pop-tabs for a Ronald McDonald house fundraiser. There are Toys for Tots stations set up on campus, as well as coat drive boxes for a partnership with WVVA, a local television station. The Beckley and Athens campuses are collecting hats & gloves for the children at Mt. Hope Elementary School. Dr. Williams' Communications class is raising \$2,000 for the Make-A-Wish Foundation. We are excited to be involved in so many excellent service projects this semester and hope that our donations can help those in need!





#### Great Gift Idea from the Alumni Association

The Alumni Association has a special Concord University P. Buckley Moss print for sale. This would make a great Christmas or graduation gift for any Concordian! Prints are \$100. Contact the Alumni Office at alumni@concord.edu or 304-384-5348 to order one today!





#### Two Students Step Up!

By Lori Pace, Sociology Faculty

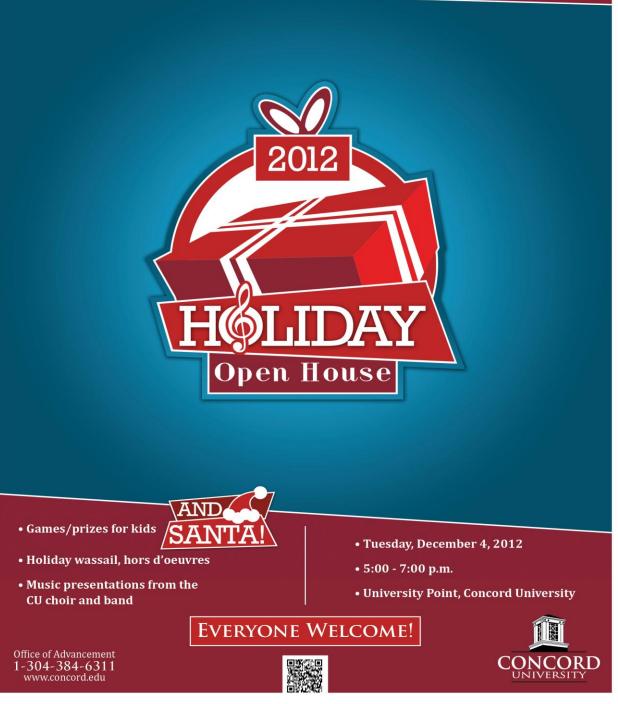
We applaud the tremendous effort of two of our students, Jennifer Weiss and Pam Wallace. Jennifer & Pam led efforts to fundraise over \$3,000 dollars for the Women's Resource Center (WRC). Inspired by annual October events recognizing Domestic Violence Awareness month, some of the Beckley area activities included: hanging purple ribbons downtown, sponsoring Chili Night booth for WRC, this year's flash mob at Chili Night, and the WRC's Candlelight Vigil. These students simply got a big idea and asked for a letter to request donations that they could take to local businesses and organizations. Their results are simply amazing: a 32" flat screen TV, a Blu-ray player, two all wood twin headboards, overnight stays at several hotels and Watoga State Park, many restaurant meals, entertainment gift certificates and MUCH more. So much was donated that they were able to put together 5 packages/baskets to raffle individually and each was crampacked with coupons, goods, services, and vouchers. (see pic) The raffle was to be drawn on Oct. 31st, but Hurricane Sandy allowed an extension. These industrious Concord students went into the community representing the best of our qualities: excellent communication skills, professionalism, civic mindedness, service and enthusiasm. The Women's Resource Center is the local Domestic Violence shelter and Outreach office for sexual assault/Domestic Violence petitions. Dependent upon grants and donations, what Pam and Jennifer have done is significant and very much appreciated by the WRC's director Patricia Bailey and her staff.







# CONCORD UNIVERSITY







# Services for Students with Special Needs and Disabilities

Greetings from the Office of Disability Services! I think you will find that Concord University is a caring and supportive community with high academic and personal expectations. The University is committed to making its programs, services, and activities accessible to students with disabilities. The ODS assists students with documented disabilities by determining their eligibility for services and then working with students to determine reasonable accommodations and services which will, in turn, give the student equal access to the University. Services may include:

- laboratory assistance
- note taking assistance
- reader services
- accessible campus facilities
- counseling services
- TDDs (Telephone devices for the deaf)
- enlarged print services
- \* tape recorders
- recorded textbooks
- \* accessible housing
- \* priority scheduling
  - \* Typewell Transcription

- tutoring
- \* accessible computing
- testing accommodations
- <sup>c</sup> referrals

#### **Contact Disability Services:**

Email: <u>nellison@concord.edu</u> Phone: (304) 384-6086

#### **Tutoring Services**

Concord University offers numerous free tutoring resources to assist students. These include:

- **Sponsored Tutoring**—Drop-in peer tutoring by qualified upper division students; assistance is available for almost all classes offered at Concord
- **Tutoring in Academic Divisions**—many of Concord's academic programs offer extra help with understanding course material. Students should check with their instructors or the academic division secretary for a tutoring schedule
- **SMARTHINKING**—free online professional tutoring for most subjects, from basic to advanced. Tutors are available 24-hours a day, 7 days per week. Students can participate in live chat with tutors, pose questions to be answered within a short time, or submit papers for editing assistance.

Students are encouraged to utilize academic support services! Tutoring can make the difference between a failing and passing grade, as well as improve acceptable course grades to A's!





# **Concord Mock Trial Team in Action!**

From Media Release- By Sarah Dalton

Concord University's Mock Trial team placed fourth in the Phi Alpha Delta Fraternity's National Pre-Law Conference and Mock Trial Competition in Washington, D.C. Nov. 8-10. This is the eighth Concord team to reach the final four of the competition in the last eight years.

The competition involved 15 teams from across the nation and Concord was the smallest school in the competition. Besides Concord, the schools competing this year included the University of Florida, the University of Central Florida, Florida International University, Florida Gulf Coast University, Western Illinois University, William Woods University, the University of Houston, Texas Tech University and Pasadena City College. Several of the schools brought more than one team.

Eight Concord students participated in the Mock Trial Competition. They were divided into two teams. The team of Bradley Click, Joseph Dean II, Danielle Knight and Chelsey Rowe made it into the final round of four teams. Concord's other mock trial team consisted of Mark Borromeo, Katie Ratcliffe, Marie Russell and Kathryn Streit.

Concord's mock trial teams are coached by Marshall S. Campbell, Concord's Director of Human Resources and a pre-law instructor at Concord. Campbell said, "I am extremely proud of the members of Concord's teams. They continued the legacy of bringing a competitive 'final four' team to the competition. Since 2005, Concord has been in the final four every year but 2008. In 2007, both of Concord's teams made in to the final four. The positive result again this year evidences Concord's strong legal studies and pre-law program."

# Students Gear up for Finals!

With finals right around the corner students are starting to study and prepare to show what they have learned throughout the semester. With Concord's numerous study lounges and private study booths in the library, our students will have plenty of space to refresh their minds with useful knowledge. Study groups are buzzing around campus, showing that we have really dedicated students!







#### **Technology Support at the Help Desk**

We would like to remind parents that Technology Services provides students with a single point of contact for all technology related questions and concerns through our Help Desk. Students are encouraged to contact the Help Desk anytime they have questions, or if they encounter problems using campus technology. To ensure that students have as many opportunities as possible to reach us, at the most convenient times for them, we have implemented multiple means of communication, as well as extended hours of operation. Our contact information and hours of operation are as follows:

#### **Contact Information:**

- ✓ Phone: (304) 384-5291
- ✓ Email: <u>cuhelpdesk@concord.edu</u>
- ✓ Instant Messaging/Chat: <u>http://workorder.concord.edu/ChatEnduserWelcomePage.jsp?queue=1&accountID=ConcordUniversity</u>
- ✓ (Links to this URL are also located on the login page of MyCU, as well as inside of MyCU)
- ✓ Walk-in: Rahall Technology Center; Rooms 301 and Room 305

#### Hours of operation:

Monday – Thursday 7:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. Friday 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

#### **Bravo to Student Heather Frazier!**

Senior English major Heather Frazier took first place in the undergraduate division of the Rick M. Smith Memorial Essay Competition in October at the 2012 Ohio Valley Shakespeare Conference. Ms. Frazier's winning essay was entitled "'Then vail your stomachs, for it is no boot:' Reciprocity and Domesticity in The Taming of the Shrew." Her victory marks the second year in which a Concord University student has won this prize, the first being Lorien Anderson in 2009. (Information submitted by Concord English faculty member Dr. Gabriel Rieger)

#### Classified Employee Scholarships!

The Classified Personnel Association is actively involved in fundraising activities for the Concord University Employee Scholarship Fund. The Association collected close to \$600 for the Scholarship Fund from the Homecoming Hot Dog and Bake Sale held on Friday, October 5. The Association wants to thank the entire campus community for their support! Additional fundraisers include Sabika jewelry sales. Since the first scholarship was awarded in 1991, sixty-one scholarships have been awarded to the sons and daughters of classified staff members at Concord. Thanks for supporting this worthwhile scholarship effort!





### Concord Men's Basketball Preview

By Tyler McIntosh, Sports Information Director

The Concord University men's basketball team has been picked to finish in 10th place this season in the West Virginia Intercollegiate Athletic Conference according to the preseason coaches' poll, released Thursday by the league office.

In his first season as head coach in 2011-12, Kent McBride led Concord to a 17-12 overall record and 13-10 mark in the WVIAC. He guided the Mountain Lions all the way to semifinals of the WVIAC Tournament before losing to Charleston in a close 89-80 contest. McBride, a Concord alum, will be joined this season by new assistant coach Todd May, who was a key assistant at Columbus State Community College the past four seasons. The 2012-13 Concord Mountain Lions features five returnees, five transfers and four freshmen. Leading the returners is sophomore guard Mike Boyd, who started 28 of 29 games played a season ago. For the year, Boyd averaged 7.9 points, a team-high four assists, and 2.9 rebounds while shooting 40.9 percent (70-for-171) from the field. Boyd, who had at least five assists in a game 13 times, was second on the team in minutes played last year at 826 (28.5 mpg). Senior forwards Gentry Shrewsbury and Damien Tunstalle are also back after strong junior campaigns. Shrewsbury started 17 of his 29 games played, averaging 16.7 minutes, 2.9 points, 3.2 rebounds while totaling 17 steals and six blocks. Tunstalle also played in every Mountain game last year. The Beckley, W. Va. native shot 49.2 percent (58-for-118) from the field and 44.2 percent (23-for-52) from three-point range.

Rounding out the returners are senior guard Eric Bailey and sophomore forward Jordan Davis. Bailey is coming off of a year in which he went 5-for-6 (83.3 percent) from three-point range while Davis' 3.7 rebounds per game ranked fourth on the team. Sophomores Paul Byrd, a guard, and Alex McGlothin, a forward, began their collegiate careers at Northern Kentucky. Last season, Byrd played in 25 games, shooting 48 percent from the field and passing out 30 assists while McGlothin saw time in 17 contests, making two starts and grabbing two rebounds a game with a 50 percent shooting percentage. The Mountain Lions' largest inside presence this season will no doubt be 6-10, 245 pound junior center David Baroum, who comes to Athens after spending two years at Bethune-Cookman and ST. Petersburg Junior College.

Junior forward Nick Ruffin averaged eight points and eight rebounds a game as a sophomore at Kalamazoo Valley Community College while sophomore guard Thomas Brown is a former All-Central Virginia Boys Basketball Player of the Year out of Nelson County High School. Concord's four-man freshmen class consists of forward Nick Moyer; guard Cam Shannon; guard Jake Bischoff; and guard Luke Campbell.





# Concord Women's Basketball Preview

By Tyler McIntosh, Sports Information Director

The Concord University women's basketball team received two first-place votes and a total of 167 points as the Mountain Lions were predicted to finish in fourth place in the West Virginia Intercollegiate Athletic Conference this season, as announced in the preseason coaches' poll released Thursday by the league office.

The Mountain Lions are coming off of a 22-7 season that saw CU advance all the way to the semifinals of the WVIAC Tournament before losing in overtime to Glenville State. The 22 wins were the most by the program since Concord began competing at the NCAA Division II level. Head coach Kenny Osborne is back for his 13th season on the Concord sidelines. Osborne has compiled a record of 183-158 (.537) in his time with the Mountain Lions. Assistant coach Jamie Cluesman also returns for another season at her alma mater. On the court, Concord returns two starters in junior forward Andrea Bertrand and junior guard Amanda Smith. Last season, Bertrand earned All-WVIAC honors after averaging 13.3 points, 7.1 rebounds, 2.1 assists, 1.3 steals and a field goal percentage of 50.2 percent in 28 starts. Smith started 27 of 28 games, shooting 46.4 percent from the floor while averaging 9.3 points, 3.1 rebounds and 1.8 assists a night.

The Mountain Lions also welcome back six reserves who appeared in at least 12 games each last season. Sophomore guard Rachel Artrip played the most of any non-starter in 2011-12, averaging 13.9 minutes a game in 28 contests. Artrip led CU in blocks with 12 and is the Mountain Lions' top returning three-point threat (14-for-49 as a freshman). Senior guard Tanisha Williams was one of Concord's top reserves a year ago, playing in 28 games with two starts. Williams shot 50 percent from the field and scored four points a game in addition to grabbing 2.1 rebounds a night. Sophomore swingman Jacqueline Kestner played in 22 games a season ago, scoring 1.7 with 1.8 rebounds per game. Senior guard Katy Somerville appeared in 15 games as a junior. Junior center Sammie Webster and junior guard Ashley Brown are also back for the 2012-13 season. The duo appeared in 17 and 12 games, respectively a year ago. Concord's 2012 recruiting class consisted of three transfers and a six-woman freshmen class. Sophomore guard Stephanie Wagner started 19 of 26 games played as a freshman at West Virginia State, averaging 9.3 points, 4.1 rebounds, 3.3 assists and 0.7 steals in 29.8 minutes played per game. She scored at least 10 points in a game 13 times. Junior guard Logan Castlebury comes to Concord after playing in 25 games over two seasons at South Carolina-Upstate. Freshman guard Leslie Mack is a former three-time all-state performer who began her collegiate career at High Point University. Lauren Estes' junior season will be her first with the Maroon and Gray. Concord's freshman class consists of Mack, guard Amber Chadwick, guard Elizabeth Evans, center Ashley Mullins, center Allison Mullins and center Brooke Gee. In addition to a grueling 22game WVIAC Schedule, Concord will also play non-conference games against Indiana (Pa.), Clarion, West Virginia Tech, UVA-Wise, Virginia Intermont and Lincoln Memorial.





#### Concord Celebrates our Veterans & Veterans Day

#### Adapted from articles by Sarah Dalton, CU Media Relations

Ranked as the nation's No. 1 four-year college for veterans in 2011 by Military Times *Edge* magazine, Concord University honors veterans on a daily basis, but also celebrates with special Veterans Day activities in November. This year, Concord recognized Mr. Ernie Baringer as the 2012 Veterans Advocate of the Year in the annual Veterans Appreciation Day Ceremony held in the Wilkes Family Chapel at University Point on the afternoon of November 9<sup>th</sup>. Attended by students, faculty, staff, and community members, the ceremony included a presentation of the colors by Pikeview High School JROTC; the National Anthem by the CU Choir; and remarks from CU President Dr. Gregory Aloia, Advancement Vice President Alicia Besenyei, and Mr. Baringer. Southern West Virginia Area Coordinator Phil Lewis brought greetings and appreciation on behalf of Senator John D. Rockefeller, while CU Veterans Coordinator Lisa Spencer and Student Veteran Advocate Dave Moore assisted with the award presentation. Mr. Baringer is a Vietnam Veteran who served in the United States Marine Corps and is currently a readjustment counseling therapist at the Princeton, WV Vet Center. Mr. Baringer is also an adjunct professor at CU.

Concord also participated in the National Roll Call Day on Monday, November 12, reading the names of over 35,000 service men and women. Names were continuously read by Concord students, faculty, and staff throughout the day.



Photo by Lance McDaniel: Pictured L to R: Dave Moore, Ernie Baringer, Lisa Spencer, & Dr. Greg Aloia



Dr. John David Smith Reading Veterans' names





# The Global Education Symposium

Submitted by Dr. Anita Reynolds, Associate Professor of Education

The first Global Collaboration Symposium presented by Concord University's EPAT students was held on November 26, 2012 from 1:00 until 3:00 pm in the Pais Fellowship Hall at University Point. EPAT is an integrated offering of Educational Psychology, Assessment, and Technology (EPAT). This semester, teacher education students collaborated with their counterparts at Australia's Victoria University, exchanging information on school systems, diversity, teaching methodologies, large-scale assessments, issues in education, among other topics. During the symposium students shared findings and demonstrated diverse technologies, while underlining cultural awareness and acceptance.

To enrich the global symposium, fourth grade classes from Athens school visited Concord University on the same day for a Global Diversity event. After joining us in the cafeteria for lunch, the fourth grade students moved to the Student Center Ballroom where our elementary "block" students conducted small and whole group activities for art, reading, social studies, math, science, and diversity. The activities were centered on Australia.

The Athens students then joined the EPAT students for poster session presentations, where EPAT students highlighted their collaboration this semester with teacher education students at Victoria University in Australia. In addition to information regarding differences in school systems, assessment, instruction, and issues in education, the students showcased the variety of technologies utilized in the collaboration (Skype, Google Docs, Voice Thread, Wikis, etc). We are proud of our CU students for their hard work and an exciting symposium!

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Academic Success Center	1-304-384-6074		
Admissions	I-888-384-5249 Or		
	1-304-384-5248		
Beckley Center	1-304-256-0270		
Business Office	1-304-384-5234		
Counseling Center	1-304-384-5290		
Disability Services	I-304-384-6086		
Financial Aid	1-304-384-6069		
Housing	1-304-384-5231		
Police	1-304-384-5357		
Registrar	1-304-384-5236		
Student Affairs	1-304-384-5256		
Student Support Services	1-304-384-6088		

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